

February 28, 2008

Mrs. Mary Nichols, Chairwoman California Air Resources Board 1001 I Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Proposition 1B Guidelines

Dear Chairwoman Nichols,

Due to the time constraints at today's Board Meeting and your request to hear from opponents and those with recommended changes to the staff proposed guidelines, we wanted to make sure that our testimony was part of the record. Having said that, below is the testimony we had planned to deliver at today's meeting:

On behalf of the Crows Landing Inland Port project, first, I want to thank staff for the time they have dedicated towards creating the guidelines for Proposition 1B and their efforts to create unique solutions to help reduce air pollution.

We would like to ask the Air Board to ensure that enough flexibility is given to local air districts so that they can put monies toward projects that show the best pollution reductions.

We realize most of the money in the program will be directed towards retrofitting and new truck purchases and we simply ask that if there is money unused or left over, that local air districts will have the jurisdiction to determine and apply those funds to alternative transportation uses like inland rail projects.

Thank you.

Sincerely

Stan Van Vleck